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Application No.: 10/633,629)	Group Art Unit: 1633
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Filed: August 5, 2003)	
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Title: COMPOSITIONS FOR IN VITRO)	
AMPLIFICATION OF NUCLEIC ACIDS)	

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Sir:

This is a response to the Election of Species mailed January 24, 2006 for the above-identified application. A response is due by February 24, 2006.

For initial examination on the merits applicants elect the species of fluorescent nucleic acid-binding dye (claims 7 and 21).

With respect to claims 9 and 13, applicants elect the species 1520-US.

With respect to claims 10 and 14, applicants elect the species 1520-US and O-30.